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See page 2 for reasons why the amendment filed 3/5/07 has been held to be non-responsive.

Election/Restrictions

The amendment filed on 3/5/07 presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because:

The limitation "said second ferrule will also deform to form a convex portion of said cylindrical interior wall in longitudinal section, said convex portion having at least a portion thereof which is axially spaced from said forward edge" in claims 37 and 45 is specific to the non-elected embodiment depicted in FIG. 27 and FIG. 28 and described in paragraph [0079]. Also refer to paragraphs [0042] and [0043].

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

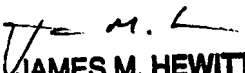
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James M. Hewitt whose telephone number is 571-272-7084.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel Stodola can be reached on 571-272-7087. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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